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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Look up a healthcare provider license" in the "How Do I?" section of the Department of Health website (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Clallam County

In June 2013 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Megan R. Wilbanks** (NA60139776) with unprofessional conduct. Wilbanks allegedly took \$40 from a patient's bank account. The Department of Social and Health Services found Wilbanks financially exploited a vulnerable adult. She isn't allowed to be employed in a job with access to vulnerable adults.

Clark County

In June 2013 the Dental Commission charged dentist **Phong Thanh Bui** (DE00008813) with unprofessional conduct. Bui also holds a permit for moderate sedation with parenteral agents (CS60094077). Bui's sedation of four patients allegedly didn't meet the standard of care.

Douglas County

In June 2013 the Health Care Assistant Program ended probation for health care assistant **Jennifer Dawn Paiva** (HC00142564).

Grays Harbor County

In June 2013 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Stephanie Raye Hollandsworth** (CO60345574) and placed her

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on probation. She was convicted of seven felonies, two gross misdemeanors, and five misdemeanors from 2004 to 2010.

King County

In June 2013 the Veterinary Board entered an agreement with veterinarian **Gene Albert Bodily** (VT00001042) that placed his credential on probation for at least two years. Bodily must pay a \$1,500 fine. Charges say his treatment of a dog was below the standard of care.

In May 2013 the Nursing Assistant Program denied registered and certified nursing assistant credentials to **Dianna Gillian Seiy** (NA60319654, NC60241818), who in 2011 was convicted of third-degree theft.

In June 2013 the Pharmacy Board charged pharmacy assistant and pharmacy technician **Dmitriy Y. Staroverov** (VB60132314, VA60168871) with unprofessional conduct. During a 2011 traffic stop, a search allegedly revealed four small bags of cocaine in Staroverov's wallet. Charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance — cocaine (schedule II), Staroverov entered a drug court program but didn't comply with conditions of participation and in 2012 was convicted on the original charge.

In June 2013 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional credential to **Christine Francoise Conway** (CP60327542) and placed her on probation. In 2011 Conway was conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional trainee credential.

In June 2013 the Medical Commission charged physician **Michael A. Leff** (MD00014429) with unprofessional conduct. Leff, a board-certified plastic surgeon, allegedly treated his wife for frequent and severe headaches, violating appropriate physician-patient boundaries. His care allegedly fell below the standard in the use of controlled substances and in record-keeping.

In June 2013 the Health Care Assistant Program charged health care assistant **Manuel De Jesus Jimenez** (HC60189792) with unprofessional conduct. While working at a community mental health clinic, Jimenez allegedly had sexual contact with a patient after finding her personal contact information in clinic records and asking her for a date.

Kitsap County

In June 2013 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Jane B. Hall** (NC10035407) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly inappropriately spent at least \$9,452.99 of a client's money. The Department of Social and Health Services found that Hall financially exploited a vulnerable adult. She is not allowed to be employed in a job with access to vulnerable adults.

Pierce County

In June 2013 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Tina Marie**

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Barber (NC10037691) with unprofessional conduct. In 2013 Barber sought to reactivate a credential that expired in 2010. She was convicted of two felonies and four misdemeanors from 2002 to 2010.

In May 2013 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Robin G. Brandon** (NA00116597) with unprofessional conduct. The Department of Social and Health Services found Brandon financially exploited a vulnerable adult. She isn't allowed to be employed in a job with access to vulnerable adults.

In June 2013 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program charged chemical dependency professional and chemical dependency professional trainee **Bonnie Rebecca Russell** (CO60150321, CP60249085) with unprofessional conduct. Russell allegedly developed an intimate relationship with a client and they moved in together after she stopped treating the client.

In June 2013 the Medical Commission charged physician **Gregory Brammer** (MD00037500) with unprofessional conduct. In 2012 Brammer pleaded guilty to harassment with bodily injury in an incident in which his wife said he punched, slapped, and strangled her, held her to the ground and squeezed her hands together. While on court probation, Brammer allegedly assaulted a neighbor and violated a protection order by leaving the neighbor an abusive telephone message.

In June 2013 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Christine N. Akamatsu** (RN00125873) with unprofessional conduct. Akamatsu allegedly didn't comply with a previous stipulation.

Skagit County

In June 2013 the Agency Affiliated Counselor Program entered an agreement that granted an agency affiliated counselor credential to **Kealy Marie Marquis** (CG60338876) and placed her on probation for at least three years. Marquis was convicted of two felonies and four gross misdemeanors from 1998 to 2011.

Snohomish County

In June 2013 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Cassandra L. Abbott** (RN00097911) with unprofessional conduct. Abbott allegedly sent at least 37 Vicodin prescriptions to a pharmacy using the name of a physician who neither authorized nor knew about the prescriptions.

In May 2013 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Kristen Marie Carter** (NC10055741) with unprofessional conduct. Carter's Oregon credential was suspended after she allegedly didn't comply with an investigation.

In June 2013 the Health Care Assistant Program conditionally granted a health care assistant credential to **Sharloana Katrice Robertson** (HC60333927) and put her on probation for at least one year. In 2011 Robertson's prior credential was placed on probation.

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Spokane County

In June 2013 the Physical Therapy Board entered an agreement with physical therapist **Michelle Lee Schubert** (PT60144943) that placed her credential on probation for at least three years. Schubert, who must pay a \$1,000 fine, had a romantic relationship with a patient.

In June 2013 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Krista Jolynn Leifker** (CO60371061) and placed her on probation. Leifker was convicted in North Dakota of five crimes equivalent to gross misdemeanors in Washington from 2005 to 2008.

In June 2013 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Kathleen Vansant** (NA00142909) with unprofessional conduct. Vansant allegedly wrote checks on a client's account and cashed them herself, taking about \$9,174 from the client's account. The Department of Social and Health Services found Vansant financially exploited a vulnerable adult and will not allow her to be employed in a job with access to vulnerable adults. In 2013 she was also charged with first-degree theft and first-degree identity theft.

Thurston County

In June 2013 the Chiropractic Commission charged chiropractor **David A. Camp** (CH00002935) with unprofessional conduct. Camp allegedly hired a patient who was 16-years-old to be an assistant, continued treating her, gave her gifts and asked her not to tell his wife, and wrote her letters giving her dating advice. She quit her job and stopped receiving treatment. He allegedly employed a second patient, provided at least 13 massage therapy sessions to her, made inappropriate remarks, and touched her inappropriately. He allegedly told his wife he was having a sexual affair with a third patient, and eventually moved in to the same residence with that patient.

Out of State

North Carolina: In June 2013 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Kent Harry Middleton** (RN60224857) with unprofessional conduct. Middleton allegedly didn't check on an emergency room patient for several hours, didn't assess the patient's condition or provide treatment as the patient's condition required, and made late, falsified chart entries.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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